THE THREE WORLDS TRACT

Pages 1-32 are the same as the first chapter of "THE THREE WORLDS" This very difficult to find article of history is included to show the thoughts of Nelson H. Barbour at the time he met Brother Charles Taze Russell.

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These papers are designed as parts of a whole, but as many thousands are being scattered separately, it seems advisable to give a short synopsis of the whole.

Many of the views are new to some and rather startling, but they are So linked in, one with another, that a full explanation of any one part, however clear in itself, can not appear complete without at least some general idea of the whole. Hence a mere statement of some of the views to be presented in full is here offered without proof.

The article on the manner of Christ's coming presents ideas So new that time and careful investigation will be required before everyone will be able to examine the subject void of prejudice. But the more you investigate that, and each and all of these others, the more you will see time and order and a definite plan associated in God's Word with justice and infinite love.

The Bible clearly teaches that the dispensation of the twelve tribes and then under the twelve apostles, are equal in all points, each one ending with a harvest, and each with an advent of Christ, and also they are to be of equal length. That the time of the twelve times represented God's peoples measured 1845 years, and that the duration of this gospel to the gentiles is to be 1845 years. That the harvest of the Jewish age lasted 3 1/2 years and that of the Gospels will be 3 1/2 years. That the harvest is the end of the world (aion, age) and that we have now entered into this time of harvest. That the resurrection of the dead in Christ to immortality and the change of the living will be consummated during this harvest, but as voiceless and unknown to the world as was the resurrection and ascension of our Lord (which is not named by any profane historian of that period). That after the harvest this time of trouble already commencing will no longer be held in check but will go from nation to nation like a whirlwind. That the Kingdom of God set up during this time of trouble will like the risen saints will be invisible to those in the immortal state who will merely see wonderful spiritual phenomenon from time to time. That the

present spiritual phenomenon and visible manifestations are but a mere counterfeit by the angels who sinned and are reserved in chains of darkness unto judgment. Hence darkness is a necessary condition to all their séances.

That at or near the end of these forty years of wrath, the remainder of the human family (with one exception those whose lives do not begin until the millennial thousand years are ended) will have a resurrection to a mortal fleshly life. (These are they who share in the restitution of all things and are hid in the grave until his wrath is

past. And yet stand upon the earth in the later days in their flesh and see God for themselves and not another).

In the restitution the manifestation of saints will be as common as were the visits of angels before the fall. "For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God." Romans 8:19. This word creature is (ktisis) the same as in Mark 16:15 "preach the gospel to every creature" and means man in the flesh, and the apostle clearly places the manifestation of the sons of God after the resurrection of both of the creature and we also who have the "firstfruits of the spirit" (Romans 8:23.)

This world has been put in subjection to the angels, both good and bad, the devil is the prince of power of the air working in the hearts of the children of disobedience and the angels of light. Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister to them that shall be heirs of salvation. But unto the angels hath he not put in subjection the "world (aion, age) to come." "Thou madest him (man) for a little while inferior (margin) to the angels. Thou crownest him with glory and honor and didst set him over the works of his hands" (Hebrews 2:5-7)

But these manifestations of the sons of God will not be with drawn curtains and darkened rooms but openly even as the Lord and the two angels appeared to Abraham as he sat in the door of his tent in the heat of the day. "And Sarah hasted and took butter and milk and the dressed calf and the case and set them before them and they did eat and talk with Abraham." This is the kind of materialization belonging to the Millennial age and thus as Jesus appeared to his disciples after he arose and made their hearts burn within them So by the administration of the immortal saints will

the sons and daughters of the earth will be led a higher and a holier life.

There are many prophetic periods proving that we are already entering this transition period and much Scripture to appear in these papers in support of all these views. And we would like to assist in the free circulation of many tens of thousands of them. The time is near when money will be of little value when the sword is without and the pestilence within. "All hands shall be feeble and all knees shall be weak. They shall cast their silver in the streets and their gold shall be as uncleanliness unto them. It shall not be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of the Lord. It shall not satisfy the souls, neither fill the bowels." (Ezekiel 7) "But now you may make to yourselves friends with the mammon of unrighteousness." (Luke 16:9).

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